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MACo PENSION UPDATE

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HB 122 – ENSURE FEDERAL IRS QUALIFICATION OF MPERA RETIREMENT SYSTEMS (REP. BRYCE BENNETT)

HB 122 – the MPERA IRS Qualification bill is scheduled for hearing on Monday, January 21 at 8:00 a.m. in (H) State Admin. In Section 2 of this bill, there is a new sub-section (7): The board shall require the actuary to prepare for each employer participating in a retirement system the disclosures or the information required to be included in the disclosures as required by law and by the governmental accounting standards board or its generally recognized successor. Each employer shall pay the employer's share of the actuary's cost for preparing the information or disclosures as determined by the board. The board may adopt rules governing how employer costs must be determined and paid.

MACo requested a fiscal note on this section of the bill. MPERA submitted a fiscal note indicating the fiscal impact of HB 122 to local governments for the actuary work to calculate the GASB required unfunded liabilities that must be posted on local government balance sheets as:

	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	TOTAL
City	\$0	\$6,401	\$3,200	\$3,200	\$12,801
County	\$0	\$6,297	\$3,149	\$3,149	\$12,595
Other (Special Districts)	\$0	\$1,373	\$ 687	\$ 687	\$ 2,747
School Districts	\$0	\$2,957	\$1,479	\$ 1,479	\$ 5,915
TOTALS	\$0	\$17,028	\$8,515	\$8,515	\$34,058

SPECIAL JOINT SUBCOMMITTEE APPOINTED TO REVIEW ALL RETIREMENT SYSTEM PROPOSALS

Yesterday, the Speaker of the House and the Senate President announced that a Joint Select Committee on Pensions has been appointed. This Committee will be meeting on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. to review retirement system proposals. The Committee members are as follows:

Dave Lewis , Chair	Tom Facey	Keith Regier
Ron Arthun , Member	Carl Glimm	Scott Sales
Joanne G Blyton	Larry Jent	Kathy Swanson
Rob Cook	Bill McChesney	Chas Vincent

MACo will be attending these Committee meetings and continue to advise you of developments.

The Montana Association of Counties (MACo) publishes this weekly bulletin containing summary descriptions of bills of interest to local government officials. Each issue lists only the bills that have been introduced during the week. Please save this message or print it for future reference.

Previous issues of MACo's *Legislative Update* can be found on our website's [legislative page](#).

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REVISED 2013 SESSION CALENDAR

As Revised by Legislative Leadership—January 11, 2013

Please note: Legislative leadership holds the authority to further revise the schedule, including the days the Legislature meets and the proposed breaks.

In accordance with 5-2-103, MCA, each regular session of the Legislature convenes on the first Monday in January of each odd-numbered year or, if January 1 is a Monday, on the first Wednesday.

Introduction deadlines: Generally, bills and resolutions must be introduced within 2 legislative days after delivery. JR 40-50, H40-10.

“General bills” is used to denote all bills, except appropriation or revenue bills, and all joint resolutions.

Notes: Deadline dates are determined according to legislative days.

Certain bills and resolutions relating to administrative rules may be transmitted at any time during the session. JR 40-200(3).

- Jan. 7: 63rd Legislative Session begins
- Jan. 21: Last day to request General Bills**
- Jan. 26: Last day to request Revenue Bills

- Feb. 18: Last day for Committee to request General Bills
- Feb. 28: Transmittal of General Bills to other Chamber
- March 1-March 3: Transmittal Break
- March 20: Transmittal of Revenue-Estimating Joint Resolutions
- March 22: Last day to request Bills Proposing Referendums or for Committee to request Revenue Bills
- March 28: Transmittal of Appropriation Bills
- April 5: Transmittal of Revenue Bills and Bills Proposing Referendums
- April 8: Transmittal of amendments to General Bills
- April 10: Last day to request Study Resolutions or Committee Bills to implement HB2
- April 16: Transmittal of amendments to Appropriation Bills
- April 18: Transmittal of amendments to Revenue Bills, Revenue-Estimating Joint Resolutions, and Bills Proposing Referendums
- April 22: Transmittal of Interim Study Resolutions
- April 27: 90th Legislative Day – Sine Die

SCHEDULED HEARINGS: JANUARY 21-25, 2013

The Senate Local Government Committee meets Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 3 p.m. in Room 405. The House Local Government Committee meets Tuesdays and Thursdays at 3 p.m. in Room 172. **MACo bills are highlighted green, priority bills are highlighted blue, and watch bills are highlighted yellow.**

<u>MONDAY, JANUARY 21</u>					
Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcomm. on Health & Human Services	102	<u>HB 2</u>	General Appropriations Act	<u>Duane Ankney</u>
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcomm. on Long-Range Planning	317B	<u>HB 7</u>	Reclamation and development grants	<u>Rob Cook</u>
8:30 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcomm. on Natural Resources & Transportation	317C	<u>HB 2</u>	General Appropriations Act	<u>Duane Ankney</u>
9:00 AM	(H) Business & Labor	172	<u>HB 197</u>	Expand drug & alcohol testing act to apply to all employees	<u>Champ Edmunds</u>
9:00 AM	(H) Business & Labor	172	<u>HB 199</u>	Revising the authorized prices for a sports tab and earnings in a sports pool	<u>Pat Noonan</u>
9:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcomm. on Judicial Branch, Law Enforcement, & Justice	317A	<u>HB 2</u>	General Appropriations Act	<u>Duane Ankney</u>
9:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	<u>HB 206</u>	Increase justice court filing fees	<u>Kelly Flynn</u>
9:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	<u>HB 235</u>	Revise trespass laws	<u>Ellie Boldman Hill</u>
9:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	<u>HJ 3</u>	Resolution to amend the US Constitution regarding the commerce clause	<u>Jerry O'Neil</u>

MONDAY, JANUARY 21 (CONTINUED)

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
9:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 122	Ensure federal IRS qualification of MPERA retirement systems	Bryce Bennett
9:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 91	Modify and expand public employee 457 deferred compensation program	Ryan Lynch
10:00 AM	(H) Joint Approps. Subcomm. on General Government	350	HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Duane Ankney
10:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 107	Generally revise deviate sexual conduct laws	Tom Facey
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 176	Increase amount of oil and nat. gas prod. taxes retained by school district	David Halvorson
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 177	Requiring school districts to budget 25% of total oil and nat. gas prod. taxes	David Halvorson
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 228	Exempt certain schools from oil and gas tax allocations and limit provisions	Lee Randall
3:00 PM	(H) Federal Relations, Energy, & Telecomm.	472	HB 227	Provide for public disclosure of energy performance	Amanda Curtis
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 113	Provide Medicaid coverage for orientation and mobility services	Jean Price
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 123	Revise developmental disability laws	Keith Regier
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 28	Allow review of maternal deaths	Liz Bangerter
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 83	Require DPHHS to measure outcomes for children's mental health services	Pat Noonan
3:00 PM	(S) Education & Cultural Resources	303	SB 25	Increase reimbursement rates for pupil transportation	Greg Jergeson
3:00 PM	(S) Education & Cultural Resources	303	SB 42	Increase K-12 BASE Aid	Robyn Driscoll
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 140	Combine school and primary election dates	Art Wittich
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 54	Require worker's compensation coverage for volunteer firefighters	Tom Facey
3:00 PM	(S) Natural Resources	422	SB 144	Generally revise noxious weed trust fund laws	Jon C Sesso
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety	317	SB 28	Authorize Montana joining interstate insurance product regulation compact	Fred Thomas
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 124	Clarify definition of political committee	Sue Malek
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 142	Clarifying process to fill state senate seat vacancy	David E Wanzenried
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 68	Revise ballot return envelope requirements to reflect extra postage required	Robyn Driscoll

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Business & Labor	172	HB 190	Revise uniform commercial code laws on funds transfer	Austin Knudsen
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions	TBA	Retirement System Bills		
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 196	Revise property exemption laws related to judgment debtors	Tom Jacobson
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 201	Revise personal property execution of judgment exemption	Jennifer Eck
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 236	Eliminate license exemption for certain private adolescent treatment programs	Ellie Boldman Hill
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HJ 5	Resolution to amend the US constitution regarding foreign treaties	Jerry O'Neil
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 143	Generally revise individual income tax laws	Nicholas Schwaderer
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 192	Revise laws related to mobile home transfer and taxes	Roger A Hagan

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22 (CONTINUED)

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(S) Taxation	405	SB 130	Revising municipal election laws	Terry Murphy
8:00 AM	(S) Taxation	405	SB 131	Constitutional amendment to adopt of the revenue estimate by the legislature	David E Wanzenried
9:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs	422	SB 129	Limit unemployment compensation not subject to income tax to \$2400	Edward Buttrey
9:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs	422	SB 61	Revise bank laws pertaining to derivative transactions & investment securities	Rick Ripley
9:00 AM	(S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs	422	SB 62	Revise banking laws regarding fiduciary foreign trust companies	Rick Ripley
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 150	Prohibit state government from owning or using unmanned aerial vehicles	Robyn Driscoll
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SJ 3	Interim study of the Board of Pardons and Parole	Terry Murphy
10:30 AM	(H) Select Committee on Redistricting	152	HR 2	Resolution for recommendations to the redistricting commission	Lee Randall
2:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 12	Appropriate funds for provider payments	Carolyn Pease-Lopez
2:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 203	Revise direct state aid to public libraries	Christy Clark
2:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 38	Transfer GIS duties to state library	Pat Ingraham
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife & Parks	152	HB 144	Allow hound hunting for black bears	Bill Harris
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife & Parks	152	HB 163	Eliminate trophy fees for mountain lions	Kelly Flynn
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife & Parks	152	HB 29	Authorize trapping of mountain lions by residents	Ted Washburn
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	HB 154	Enable county attorney to act as legal advisor to irrigation board if requested	David (Doc) Moore
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	HB 156	Revise local government laws related to municipal zoning	David (Doc) Moore
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	HB 194	Revise gasoline and vehicle fuel tax fund laws	Pat Ingraham

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Judiciary	137	HB 237	Address homeless prevention for people under Dept. of Corrections supervision	Ellie Boldman Hill
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 158	Require agency's to present proposed rules to interim committees	Doug Kary
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 159	Generally revise the Montana Administrative Procedure Act	Keith Regier
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 78	Clarify break in service requirements for postretirement employment under TRS	Keith Regier
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 195	Revise laws related to taxation of certain forest land	Pat Ingraham
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 49	Exempt military pensions from state income tax	Pat Ingraham
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 89	Allow de minimus refund of abandoned property or closed estates	Ryan Lynch
8:00 AM	(S) Taxation	405	SB 138	Extend class 14 tax classification to all new generating and fuel facilities	Art Wittich
8:00 AM	(S) Taxation	405	SB 96	Lower the business and equipment tax	Bruce Tutvedt
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SB 145	Require all information on a concealed weapon permit application confidential	Frederick (Eric) Moore
9:00 AM	(S) Judiciary	303	SJ 5	Urge Congress to support Constitutional Amendment on national debt	Art Wittich
2:00 PM	(H) Appropriations	102	HB 13	State employee pay plan	Kathy Swanson
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 98	Appropriate funds to increase participation in the school breakfast program	Pat Noonan

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23 (CONTINUED)

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 99	Appropriate TANF funds for out-of-school food support activities	Pat Noonan
3:00 PM	(H) Natural Resources	172	HJ 7	Joint resolution to initiate legal action for damages to state waters	Pat Connell
3:00 PM	(H) Transportation	455	HB 216	Revise laws related to distribution of overweight and oversize permit fees	Alan Doane
3:00 PM	(S) Education and Cultural Resources	303	SB 13	Raise legal dropout age to 18 or upon graduation	David E Wanzenried
3:00 PM	(S) Education and Cultural Resources	303	SB 14	Provide ANB funding for 19 year olds	David E Wanzenried
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 132	Revise statutory dates related to filling mid-term county elected office	Greg Jergeson
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 146	Generally revise subdivision review criteria laws regarding agency comment	Edward Buttrey
3:00 PM	(S) Local Government	405	SB 147	Generally revise subdivision review criteria laws regarding agriculture	Edward Buttrey
3:00 PM	(S) Natural Resources	422	SB 88	Provide for the Upper Missouri Breaks National Monument Water Compact	Dick Barrett
3:00 PM	(S) State Administration	335	SB 122	Generally revise election laws regarding local nonpartisan elections	Tom Facey

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
8:00 AM	(H) Joint Select Committee on Pensions	TBA	Retirement System Bills		
8:00 AM	(H) State Administration	455	HB 200	Revise election laws	Steve Fitzpatrick
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 174	Provide for a property tax freeze for Montanans age 65 or older or disabled	David (Doc) Moore
8:00 AM	(H) Taxation	152	HB 185	Revise assessment/fee procedures for park districts	Clayton Fiscus
8:00 AM	(S) Taxation	405	SB 4	Generally revise property reappraisal laws	Jim Peterson
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife & Parks	152	HB 147	Revise hunter trespass penalty laws	Alan Redfield
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife & Parks	152	HB 161	Increasing the number of available nonresident hunting licenses	Ted Washburn
3:00 PM	(H) Fish, Wildlife & Parks	152	HB 170	Authorize a 3-day non-resident upland bird license	Wylie Galt
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	HB 208	Providing immunity for solid waste management system	Jerry O'Neil
3:00 PM	(H) Local Government	172	HB 231	Revise local government compensation laws related to county sheriff deputies	Brian Hoven

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 178	Revise driver license fee allocations to increase traffic educ. account funding	Jean Price
3:00 PM	(H) Education	137	HB 183	Emphasize critical thinking in science education	Clayton Fiscus
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 101	Increase reimbursement rates for children's Medicaid mental health services	Ron Ehli
3:00 PM	(H) Human Services	152	HB 102	Create advisory committee on cost-base Medicaid mental health rate reimbursement	Ron Ehli
3:00 PM	(S) Public Health, Welfare and Safety	317	SB 27	Revise Insure Montana laws to expand small employer definition	Cliff Larsen

2013 PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Below are three different lists of proposed legislation for the 2013 Legislative Session that have been introduced thus far. The MACo Resolutions & Introduced Legislation list includes bills that are associated with MACo Resolutions. The MACo Priority Watch List includes bills that we are watching very closely or with which we may have some involvement. The MACo Watch List includes bills that are on our radar.

MACo RESOLUTIONS & ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION				
Bill No.	Short Title	Res. No.	Sponsor	Status
HB 164 LC1413	Revise when county commissioner district boundaries can be modified	2012-03	Amanda Curtis	(H) Committee Executive Action- -Bill Passed -- (H) Local Gov.
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING WHEN THE COUNTY COMMISSIONER DISTRICT BOUNDARIES MAY BE ALTERED; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-4-2102, MCA."				
HB 192 LC0542	Revise laws related to mobile home transfer and taxes	2010-13	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/22/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING MOBILE HOME TAX LAWS; REQUIRING THE PAYMENT OR CANCELLATION OF TAXES PRIOR TO THE TRANSFER OF INTEREST IN A MOBILE HOME OR HOUSETRAILER; ALLOWING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO CANCEL DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES ON A MOBILE HOME OR HOUSETRAILER TO BE MOVED FOR THE PURPOSES OF DESTRUCTION OR RECYCLING; AMENDING SECTION 15-24-202, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."				
HB 193 LC1055	Authorize interim appointments of county elected officials	2012-08	Roger A Hagan	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/17/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO APPOINT AN INTERIM OFFICER TO A COUNTY OFFICE UPON OCCURRENCE OF A VACANCY; REQUIRING THE INTERIM OFFICER TO HAVE THE QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED OF THE OFFICE; PROVIDING THAT THE INTERIM OFFICER IS AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM THE DUTIES OF THE OFFICE; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-4-2206, MCA."				
HB 194 LC1145	Revise gasoline and vehicle fuel tax fund laws	2012-07	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/22/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE CONTRACT AMOUNT FOR WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROJECT MUST BE PUT TO A BID IF THE PROJECT IS FUNDED WITH GASOLINE TAXES; AMENDING 15-70-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."				
HB 206 LC1064	Increase justice court filing fees	2012-09	Kelly Flynn	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/21/2013; 9:00 am, Rm 137
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING FEES IN JUSTICE'S COURT AND SMALL CLAIMS COURT; AMENDING SECTIONS 25-31-112 AND 25-35-608, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."				
HB 216 LC1104	Revise laws related to distribution of overweight and oversize permit fees	2012-16	Alan Doane	(H) Hearing -- (H) Trans. 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 455
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE CERTAIN PERMITS FOR OVERSIZED AND OVERWEIGHT VEHICLES TO RETAIN THE FEES IMPOSED FOR THE PERMITS FOR DEPOSIT INTO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT'S ROAD FUND; AMENDING SECTION 61-10-126, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."				
SB 72 LC0724	Revise the livestock per-capita assessment date	2012-11	Debby Barrett	(S) Hearing -- (S) Agriculture, Livestock & Irrigation 01/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE DATE ON WHICH CATTLE ARE COUNTED FOR PURPOSES OF LIVESTOCK ASSESSMENT FEES; AMENDING SECTIONS 81-6-104, 81-6-204, AND 81-6-209, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."				
SB 105 LC1063	Revise interim zoning laws	2010-09	Taylor Brown	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Judiciary
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROHIBITING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERIM ZONING DISTRICT OR INTERIM REGULATION TO PREVENT A PROPOSED USE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES; PROHIBITING ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERIM ZONING DISTRICT OR INTERIM REGULATION TO PREVENT AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES; AND AMENDING SECTION 76-2-206, MCA."				
SB 116 LC0156	Revise special fuel user permit laws	2012-19	Ron Arthun	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways & Transportation 01/17/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING SPECIAL FUEL USER PERMIT LAWS; REPEALING THE SPECIAL FUEL USER'S PERMIT; REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT THAT CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS FOR A PUBLIC CONTRACT BE PRODUCED USING SPECIAL FUEL ON WHICH STATE FUEL TAX HAS BEEN PAID; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-70-301, 15-70-311, 15-70-314, 15-70-321, 15-70-330, 15-70-356, AND 15-70-372, MCA; REPEALING SECTIONS 7-5-2316, 7-5-4316, 15-70-302, 15-70-303, 15-70-304, 15-70-305, 15-70-306, 15-70-307, 15-70-317, 15-70-323, 15-70-325, 15-70-327, 15-70-328, 15-70-329, 15-70-331, 15-70-332, 15-70-333, 15-70-334, 15-70-335, 15-70-336, 20-6-630, AND 60-2-118, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."				

MACo RESOLUTIONS & ASSOCIATED LEGISLATION (CONCLUDED)

Time	Committee	Room	Bill No.	Short Title
SB 132 LC1172	Revise statutory dates related to filling mid-term county elected office	2012-04	Greg Jergeson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING DATES FOR FILLING VACANCIES IN COUNTY ELECTED OFFICES; REQUIRING NOTIFICATION OF THE COUNTY ELECTION ADMINISTRATOR RATHER THAN THE CLERK AND RECORDER; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 3-10-201, 3-10-206, 7-4-2106, AND 7-4-2206, MCA."			
SB 161 LC1353	Change the requirements for establishing a special speed zone	2012-18	Mitch Tropila	(S) Introduced
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CHANGING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR ESTABLISHING A SPECIAL SPEED ZONE; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-8-309, MCA."			
LC0441	Require state coordination with local governments when requested	2012-20	Kelly Flynn	Draft On Hold
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC0496	Eliminate requirement for annual absentee forms	2012-01	Ted Washburn	Draft On Hold
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC0734	Generally revise tax increment financing districts	2010-19	Edward Buttrey	Draft Request Received
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC0735	Allow Montana businesses to participate in technology districts	2010-22	Edward Buttrey	Draft Request Received
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC0736	Revising local government legal holiday laws	2012-10	Keith Regier	Draft Request Received
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC0915	Generally revise laws related to gravel pits	2012-15	Jim Peterson	Draft to Requester for Review
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC1065	Generally revise emergency medical service laws	2012-05	David E Wanzenried	Draft On Hold
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC1066	Generally revise public health laws	2010-17	David E Wanzenried	Draft Request Received
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC1067	Provide for actuarial funding for public employee's retirement system	2012-EC3	Bryce Bennett	Draft On Hold
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC1068	Provide for actuarial funding for the sheriff's retirement system	2012-EC4	Bryce Bennett	Draft On Hold
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC1286	Revise county public auction laws	2012-06	Pat Ingraham	Draft Request Received
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC1296	Revise public safety communication laws	2012-17	Steve Lavin	Draft Ready for Delivery
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ESTABLISHING LAWS GOVERNING PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS; CREATING A PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS BOARD; ESTABLISHING THE DUTIES OF THE BOARD; ESTABLISHING DUTIES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION; ALLOWING FOR PUBLIC-PRIVATE CONTRACTS AND PARTNERSHIPS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS; REQUIRING DEVELOPMENT OF A STATEWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS PLAN AND A BIENNIAL REPORT; PROVIDING FOR PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS JURISDICTION PLANS; CREATING A PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM ACCOUNT; PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS IN THE ACCOUNT; PROVIDING THE DEPARTMENT WITH RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."			
LC1348	Revise membership and duties of the Montana public employees retirement board	2012-EC2	Pat Ingraham	Draft On Hold
	BILL TEXT NOT AVAILABLE AS OF YET.			
LC1523	Revise local government laws related to public notice	2012-EC1	Bridget Smith	Draft Ready for Delivery
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH A LOCAL GOVERNMENT IS CONSIDERED TO HAVE COMPLIED WITH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLICATION OF NOTICE; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-1-2121 AND 7-1-4127, MCA."			

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 2	General Appropriations Act	Duane Ankney	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on General Government 01/21/2013; 10:00 AM, Rm 350
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO VARIOUS STATE AGENCIES FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2015; ESTABLISHING A BALANCED 6 BUDGET; ESTABLISHING AN OFFICIAL ESTIMATE OF THE STATE'S GENERAL FUND REVENUE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 AND EACH FISCAL YEAR OF THE 2014-2015 BIENNIUM; 7 ACCEPTING THE JUNE 30, 2012, UNASSIGNED GENERAL FUND BALANCE THAT WAS ESTABLISHED BASED ON GENERALLY ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES; AND 8 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 11	Treasure state endowment program	Steve Gibson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Appropriations Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/18/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 317B
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS THROUGH THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING GRANTS FROM THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT; PLACING CONDITIONS UPON GRANTS AND FUNDS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR EMERGENCY GRANTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE FOR INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING GRANTS; APPROPRIATING MONEY FROM THE TREASURE STATE ENDOWMENT REGIONAL WATER SYSTEM STATE SPECIAL REVENUE ACCOUNT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITIES FOR REGIONAL WATER PROJECTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 16	Revise involuntary commitment and emergency detention laws	Ellie Boldman Hill	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/15/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE STATUTES RELATED TO INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENTS; REVISING WHEN THE RIGHT OF THE RESPONDENT TO BE PHYSICALLY PRESENT AT A HEARING MAY BE WAIVED; ALLOWING EMERGENCY DETENTION OF A PERSON IF THE PERSON IS SUBSTANTIALLY UNABLE TO PROVIDE FOR THE PERSON'S OWN BASIC NEEDS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 53-21-102, 53-21-119, AND 53-21-129, MCA."		
HB 38	Transfer GIS duties to state library	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/22/2013; 2:00 pm, Rm 102
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TRANSFERRING THE ADMINISTRATION OF CERTAIN GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION TO THE STATE LIBRARY; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-11-1014, 7-11-1029, 7-6-212, 90-1-403, 90-1-404, 90-1-405, 90-1-406, 90-1-410, 90-1-411, AND 90-1-413, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 43	Create jail suicide prevention program in DPHHS	Steve Lavin	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/09/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES ESTABLISH A BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TRIAGE SYSTEM FOR PARTICIPATING DETENTION CENTERS; PROVIDING A GRANT PROGRAM FOR PARTICIPATING DETENTION CENTERS; REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT TO ADOPT RULES; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 47	Revise certain county budgeting deadlines	Edie McClafferty	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading 01/18/2013
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING DATES BY WHICH A COUNTY MUST FIX CERTAIN SALARIES, ADOPT A BUDGET, FIX TAX LEVIES, AND ESTIMATE SPECIAL DISTRICT COSTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-2504, 7-6-4024, 7-6-4036, AND 7-11-1025, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 53	Revise State Administration and Veteran Affairs statutory duties	Pat Ingraham	(H) Transmitted to Senate
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE DUTIES OF THE STATE ADMINISTRATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE; AMENDING SECTION 5-5-228, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 69	Create jail suicide prevention program in board of crime control	Margie MacDonald	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/09/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR THE PREVENTION OF SUICIDES IN DETENTION CENTERS; REQUIRING THE ADOPTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE RULES BY THE BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL; INCREASING THE SURCHARGE ON CERTAIN CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION TO DETENTION CENTERS; PROVIDING FOR A GENERAL FUND LOAN; AMENDING SECTIONS 3-1-318, 7-6-2541, AND 7-32-2224, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 78	Clarify break in service requirements for postretirement employment under TRS	Keith Regier	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING BREAK-IN-SERVICE REQUIREMENTS FOR POSTRETIREMENT EMPLOYMENT IN A POSITION REPORTABLE TO THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-20-731 AND 19-20-733, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 90	Increase university system supplemental contributions rate to TRS	Jesse O'Hara	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OPTIONAL RETIREMENT PROGRAM EMPLOYER SUPPLEMENTAL CONTRIBUTION RATE; AMENDING SECTION 19-20-621, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 91	Modify and expand public employee 457 deferred compensation program	Ryan Lynch	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/21/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT MODIFYING AND EXPANDING 457 DEFERRED COMPENSATION PROGRAMS FOR THE STATE AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS TO INCLUDE ROTH ACCOUNTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-50-101 AND 19-50-103, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 95	Require contributions on working retiree compensation	Franke Wilmer	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT IMPROVING THE ACTUARIAL UNFUNDED LIABILITY OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES', SHERIFFS', AND FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEMS BY REQUIRING EMPLOYER AND STATE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR WORKING RETIREES IN THOSE SYSTEMS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-7-1101 AND 19-13-1101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 96	Provide actuarial funding for PERS, HPORS, GWPORS, SRS retirement systems	Franke Wilmer	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT IMPROVING THE ACTUARIAL FUNDING STATUS OF CERTAIN PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS BY TEMPORARILY INCREASING EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-3-316, 19-3-2117, 19-6-404, 19-7-404, 19-8-504, AND 19-21-214, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 97	Cap highest/final average compensation in MPERA retirement systems	Franke Wilmer	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PLACING A CAP ON THE EARNINGS THAT MAY BE INCLUDED IN THE HIGHEST OR FINAL AVERAGE COMPENSATION USED TO DETERMINE A RETIREMENT BENEFIT UNDER THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES', JUDGES', HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS', SHERIFFS', GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS', MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS', AND FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEMS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-303, 19-2-1005, 19-3-108, 19-5-101, 19-6-101, 19-7-101, 19-8-101, 19-9-104, AND 19-13-104, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 105	Generally revise MPERA retirement system laws concerning plan administration	Tom Steenberg	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING PROVISIONS OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' COMPENSATION ACT; REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO RETIREMENT, DISABILITY, AND DEATH BENEFITS AND PAYMENTS; REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO OPTIONAL MEMBERSHIP, SERVICE CREDIT, AND REEMPLOYMENT; PROVIDING FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE EMPLOYEE INVESTMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL; REVISING DEATH BENEFITS UNDER THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; REVISING CANCELLATION AND REINSTATEMENT OF DISABILITY BENEFITS UNDER THE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' COMPENSATION ACT; CORRECTING TERMINOLOGY AND INTERNAL REFERENCES; ELIMINATING EXPIRED PROVISIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-303, 19-2-403, 19-2-406, 19-2-505, 19-2-706, 19-2-801, 19-2-907, 19-3-412, 19-3-512, 19-3-908, 19-3-1103, 19-3-1106, 19-3-1210, 19-3-1501, 19-3-2133, 19-3-2141, 19-5-601, 19-5-701, 19-5-801, 19-5-802, 19-6-601, 19-7-503, 19-7-601, 19-7-901, 19-7-1001, 19-8-302, 19-8-701, 19-8-801, 19-8-1002, 19-9-710, 19-9-1007, 19-13-104, 19-13-803, AND 19-17-605, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 19-3-1005, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 112	Improve actuarial funding for teachers' retirement system	Jean Price	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Administration
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING PROVISIONS OF THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO IMPROVE THE SYSTEM'S ACTUARIAL FUNDING; CREATING TWO MEMBERSHIP TIERS; INCREASING EMPLOYEE AND EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS; AUTHORIZING THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT BOARD TO ADJUST CERTAIN CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; REVISING HOW AVERAGE FINAL COMPENSATION IS CALCULATED FOR NEW MEMBERS; REVISING SERVICE RETIREMENT AND EARLY RETIREMENT ELIGIBILITY FOR NEW MEMBERS; REVISING DEATH AND DISABILITY BENEFIT PROVISIONS FOR NEW MEMBERS; REVISING THE BENEFIT MULTIPLIER FOR NEW MEMBERS; STATUTORILY APPROPRIATING MONEY FROM THE PUBLIC SCHOOL FUND GUARANTEE ACCOUNT TO THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-20-101, 19-20-208, 19-20-409, 19-20-427, 19-20-602, 19-20-605, 19-20-716, 19-20-732, 19-20-801, 19-20-802, 19-20-804, 19-20-805, 19-20-901, 19-20-1001, 20-9-501, AND 20-9-622, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONTINUED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 122	Ensure federal IRS qualification of MPERA retirement systems	Bryce Bennett	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/21/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 455
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT GENERALLY REVISING PROVISIONS RELATED TO FEDERAL TAX QUALIFICATION OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE JUDGES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE SHERIFFS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE GAME WARDENS' AND PEACE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE MUNICIPAL POLICE OFFICERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, THE FIREFIGHTERS' UNIFIED RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PROGRAM; REVISING THE DEFINITION OF "NORMAL RETIREMENT AGE" TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW; PROVIDING FOR THE ALLOCATION OF COSTS FOR CERTAIN ACTUARIAL WORK; REVISING MAXIMUM COMPENSATION AND MAXIMUM BENEFIT PROVISIONS, LIMITATIONS ON ELIGIBLE ROLLOVER DISTRIBUTIONS, MILITARY SERVICE CREDIT, AND ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICE RETIREMENT TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW; AMENDING SECTIONS 19-2-303, 19-2-405, 19-2-1001, 19-2-1011, 19-2-1014, 19-3-901, 19-5-501, 19-6-501, 19-7-501, 19-8-601, 19-9-801, 19-13-701, AND 19-50-104, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A RETROACTIVE APPLICABILITY DATE."		
HB 134	Define certain investigators in state auditor's office as peace officers	Steve Lavin	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE STATE AUDITOR TO DESIGNATE SECURITIES AND INSURANCE INVESTIGATORS AS PEACE OFFICERS; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-32-303, 30-10-304, AND 33-1-311, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
HB 185	Revise assessment/fee procedures for park districts	Clayton Fiscus	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/24/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING PROCEDURES FOR LEVYING AN ASSESSMENT OR IMPOSING A FEE IN A PARK DISTRICT; REQUIRING A REFERENDUM AND DISCLOSURE OF CERTAIN FINANCIAL DATA; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 7-11-1011 AND 7-11-1025, MCA."		
HB 231	Revise local government compensation laws related to county sheriff deputies	Brian Hoven	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/24/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING THE METHOD OF SETTING COMPENSATION FOR UNDERSHERIFFS AND SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-2503, 7-4-2505, 7-4-2507, 7-4-2510, AND 7-32-104, MCA; AND REPEALING SECTION 7-4-2508, MCA."		
SB 4	Generally revise property reappraisal laws	Jim Peterson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/24/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING FOR ONE 2-YEAR REVALUATION CYCLE BEGINNING IN 2015 TO BE FOLLOWED BY ANNUAL REVALUATION THEREAFTER FOR CLASS THREE AGRICULTURAL LAND, CLASS FOUR RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL LAND AND IMPROVEMENTS, AND CLASS TEN FOREST LAND FOR PROPERTY TAX PURPOSES; CLARIFYING THE TERMS OF OFFICE OF AGRICULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND FOREST LAND TAXATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR PURPOSES OF IMPLEMENTING THE NEW REAPPRAISAL PROCESS; AMENDING SECTIONS 15-6-134, 15-6-222, 15-7-102, 15-7-103, 15-7-111, 15-7-112, 15-7-131, 15-7-139, 15-7-201, 15-8-111, 15-10-420, 15-15-102, 15-16-101, 15-24-3202, 15-24-3203, 15-44-103, AND 77-1-208, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 15-6-193, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
SB 5	Clarify authority of local governments to store electronic documents off-site	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT ELECTRONIC RECORDS FOR A COUNTY MAY BE STORED AT A LOCATION SEPARATE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK; AND AMENDING SECTION 7-5-2131, MCA."		
SB 6	Require surrender of license plates if driver is uninsured	Edward Buttrey	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Highways & Transportation
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING A VEHICLE OPERATOR WHO DOES NOT PROVIDE PROOF OF MOTOR VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE OR AN INDEMNITY BOND TO SURRENDER THE LICENSE PLATES UNDER CERTAIN CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR THE RETURN OF THE LICENSE PLATES; AND AMENDING SECTION 61-6-302, MCA."		
SB 19	Define combined appropriation for exempt wells	Bradley Hamlett	(S) Hearing -- (S) Natural Resources 01/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT DEFINING THE TERM "COMBINED APPROPRIATION" FOR WATER WELLS AND DEVELOPED SPRINGS THAT ARE EXEMPT FROM PERMITTING; CLARIFYING THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM "DEVELOPED SPRING"; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 85-2-102 AND 85-2-306, MCA."		
SB 23	Revise interim zoning laws	Matthew M Rosendale	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING COUNTY INTERIM ZONING REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES; REQUIRING A COUNTY TO INITIATE A STUDY OR INVESTIGATION TO VERIFY THE EXISTENCE OF AN EMERGENCY; LIMITING A RESOLUTION FOR AN INTERIM ZONING DISTRICT OR INTERIM REGULATION TO 182 DAYS FROM THE DATE IT BECOMES EFFECTIVE; ELIMINATING THE SPECIFICATION OF EXIGENT CIRCUMSTANCES; REQUIRING CERTAIN PROCEDURES FOR THE EXTENSION OF A RESOLUTION FOR AN INTERIM ZONING DISTRICT OR INTERIM REGULATION; AND AMENDING SECTION 76-2-206, MCA."		

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 38	Establish stream depletion zones for exempt wells	Chas Vincent	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Natural Resources
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT DEFINING "STREAM DEPLETION ZONES"; REDUCING THE EXEMPTION FOR GROUND WATER APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN STREAM DEPLETION ZONES; LIMITING AREAS WHERE STREAM DEPLETION ZONES MAY BE ESTABLISHED; PROVIDING RULEMAKING AUTHORITY; AMENDING SECTIONS 85-2-102 AND 85-2-306, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE."		
SB 54	Require worker's compensation coverage for volunteer firefighters	Tom Facey	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING WORKERS' COMPENSATION COVERAGE FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS; REQUIRING EACH COUNTY GOVERNING BODY TO ESTABLISH A FUND FOR PAYING VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' WORKERS' COMPENSATION PREMIUMS; ALLOWING COUNTY GOVERNING BODIES TO IMPOSE A PERMISSIVE LEVY FOR PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS; EXCLUDING CERTAIN CITIES FROM THE PROPERTY TAX PERMISSIVE LEVY FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS' WORKERS' COMPENSATION; REVISING PREMIUM AND BENEFIT PROVISIONS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND CERTAIN VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIANS; SUPERSEDING THE UNFUNDED MANDATE LAWS; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-6-621, 7-33-2109, 7-33-2209, 7-33-2403, 7-33-4111, 15-10-420, 39-71-118, 39-71-123, AND 39-71-401, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 55	Clarify coverage of routine costs for patients in approved clinical trials	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THAT ISSUERS OF HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE MAY NOT DENY ROUTINE PATIENT COSTS FOR INDIVIDUALS IN AN APPROVED CLINICAL TRIAL; PROVIDING DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 2-18-704, 33-22-101, 33-31-111, 33-35-306, 53-4-1005, AND 53-6-101, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE AND A TERMINATION DATE."		
SB 56	Eliminate calculation errors of taxes, fees, and assessments to local government	Larry Jent	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/18/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING THE CALCULATION OF FEES AND ASSESSMENTS BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR THE COMPUTATION OF PROPERTY TAXES; LIMITING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE'S ROLE IN CALCULATING FEES AND ASSESSMENTS THAT ARE NOT MILL-RELATED FOR ENTRY OF TAXES; AMENDING SECTIONS 7-13-4524 AND 15-10-305, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 67	Revise certain statutory report requirements to the legislature	Kendall Van Dyk	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS FOR AGENCY REPORTING TO THE STATE ADMINISTRATION AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS INTERIM COMMITTEE AND THE LEGISLATURE; REVISING REPORTING BY THE CAPITOL COMPLEX ADVISORY COUNCIL, THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION REGARDING THE EMPLOYEE INCENTIVE PROGRAM, THE MONTANA VETERANS' AFFAIRS DIVISION, THE SECRETARY OF STATE REGARDING SECURED TRANSACTIONS, THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ADMINISTRATION, THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM, AND THE BOARD OF INVESTMENTS; AND AMENDING SECTIONS 2-17-804, 2-18-1103, 10-2-102, 17-6-230, 19-2-405, 19-20-201, AND 30-9A-527, MCA."		
SB 77	Revise municipal contract competitive bidding law - no bid required up to \$100K	John Brenden	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT RAISING FROM \$50,000 TO \$100,000 THE CONTRACT AMOUNT ON CERTAIN MUNICIPAL PURCHASE AND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS THAT REQUIRE USE OF THE COMPETITIVE, ADVERTISED BIDDING PROCESS; AMENDING SECTION 7-5-4302, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		
SB 82	Require PERS new hires to be in DC plan	Dave Lewis	(S) Introduced
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING NEW HIRES INTO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM TO BE MEMBERS OF THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN; ALLOWING CERTAIN DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN MEMBERS AN OPTION TO SWITCH TO THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN; REVISING VESTING PROVISIONS FOR DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN MEMBERS; REQUIRING THE GOVERNOR TO INCLUDE IN THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET THE FUNDING NECESSARY TO AMORTIZE THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY OF THE DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN; REVISING THE ALLOCATION OF THE EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION FOR MEMBERS OF THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN; REQUIRING THE BOARD TO SEEK A RULING OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE AND MAKING THE ACT CONTINGENT ON A FAVORABLE RULING; AMENDING SECTIONS 17-7-111, 17-7-112, 19-2-303, 19-2-403, 19-2-407, 19-2-715, 19-3-108, 19-3-316, 19-3-319, 19-3-401, 19-3-412, 19-3-2101, 19-3-2106, 19-3-2111, 19-3-2112, 19-3-2113, 19-3-2114, 19-3-2115, 19-3-2116, 19-3-2117, 19-3-2126, 19-3-2141, AND 19-21-214, MCA; REPEALING SECTION 19-3-2121, MCA; AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE DATES."		
SB 99	Revise laws related to motor vehicle insurance verification	Alan Olson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs 01/16/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING INSURANCE VERIFICATION PROCEDURES FOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS; AMENDING SECTIONS 61-3-303, 61-3-312, AND 61-6-105, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."		

MACo PRIORITY WATCH LIST (CONCLUDED)

Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
SB 108	Renew Montana charitable endowment tax credit	Taylor Brown	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/18/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
<p>A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REVISING LAWS RELATED TO THE TAX CREDIT FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TO A QUALIFIED ENDOWMENT; EXTENDING THE TERMINATION DATE OF THE TAX CREDIT; SPECIFYING THE MINIMUM ANNUITY RATE FOR DEFERRED CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES; CLARIFYING THE REQUIRED TIMING OF PAYMENTS FOR DEFERRED CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITIES; APPLYING THE PROVISIONS OF THE UNIFORM PRUDENT MANAGEMENT OF INSTITUTIONAL FUNDS ACT TO THE DEFINITION OF "PERMANENT, IRREVOCABLE FUND"; AMENDING SECTION 15-30-2327, MCA; AMENDING SECTION 9, CHAPTER 537, LAWS OF 1997, SECTION 5, CHAPTER 226, LAWS OF 2001, SECTION 7, CHAPTER 4, LAWS OF 2005, AND SECTIONS 2, 3, 4, AND 7, CHAPTER 208, LAWS OF 2007; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE, AN APPLICABILITY DATE, AND A TERMINATION DATE."</p>			

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 3	Supplemental appropriations	Duane Ankney	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Approps.
HB 4	Appropriations by budget amendment	Duane Ankney	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Approps.
HB 5	Long-range building appropriations	Duane Ankney	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Approps.
HB 6	Renewable resource grants	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/17/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 7	Reclamation and development grants	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/21/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 8	Renewable resource bonds and loans	Rob Cook	(H) Hearing -- (H) Joint Approps. Subcommittee on Long-Range Planning 01/18/2013; 10:00 AM, Rm 317B
HB 9	Cultural and aesthetic grants	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Approps.
HB 10	Long-range information technology appropriations	JP Pomnichowski	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Approps.
HB 12	Appropriate funds for provider payments	Carolyn Pease-Lopez	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/22/2013; 2:00 pm, Rm 102
HB 13	State employee pay plan	Kathy Swanson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/23/2013; 2:00 pm, Rm 102
HB 14	Bonding program	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Approps.
HB 19	Revise penalty and interest provisions related to tax law enforcement	Roy Hollandsworth	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/11/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 21	Generally revise statutory appropriation laws	Rob Cook	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 22	Generally revise state auditor laws on insurance	Kimberly Dudik	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/16/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 172
HB 30	Revise late registration laws	Ted Washburn	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/14/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 33	Revising large predator laws	Ted Washburn	(H) Hearing -- (H) Fish, Wildlife & Parks 01/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 35	Clarifying the laws related to property tax adjustments	Mike Miller	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 36	Remove statutory references to local government severance tax	Carlie Boland	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/14/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 37	Allow temporary leasing of water rights	Bill McChesney	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 39	Revise school finance laws to correct implementation problems	Bill McChesney	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 42	Revise laws related to destruction of property by minors	Keith Regier	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 44	Update criminal intelligence information section and advisory council	Steve Lavin	(H) Tabled in Committee* -- (H) Judiciary
HB 48	Revise Insure Montana laws	Bill McChesney	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business & Labor
HB 50	Prohibit immigration sanctuary policies by local governments	David Howard	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/14/2013; 09:00 am, Rm 137
HB 54	Revise teacher's retirement system administrative and tax qualification laws	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/15/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 59	Revise title of governor's drought advisory committee	Ryan Lynch	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 66	Allow for electronic service of notices of levy and writs of execution	Brian Hoven	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/17/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 71	Clarifying restorative justice laws and establish grant program	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/16/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 72	Allow restorative justice as condition of suspended or deferred sentence	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/16/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 74	Require disclosure of child abuse to DPHHS to law enforcement in all cases	Margaret (Margie) MacDonald	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/16/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 77	Revise public assistance laws relating to counties	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 79	Constitutional referendum to rename the State Auditor	Tom Berry	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/30/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 80	Authorizing peace officer status for corrections criminal investigators	Steve Lavin	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/16/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 82	Revise applicability of extraterritorial worker's compensation agreements	Scott Reichner	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/18/2013; 9:00 am, Rm 172
HB 84	Revise 72-hour presumptive eligibility requirements for crisis stabilization	Pat Noonan	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 87	Provide state insurance commissioner with health insurance rate review authority	Jeffrey W Welborn	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Judiciary
HB 89	Allow de minimus refund of abandoned property or closed estates	Ryan Lynch	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 95	Require contributions on working retiree compensation	Franke Wilmer	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Admin.
HB 96	Provide actuarial funding for PERS, HPORS, GWPORS, SRS retirement systems	Franke Wilmer	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Admin.
HB 97	Cap highest/final average compensation in MPERA retirement systems	Franke Wilmer	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Admin.
HB 100	Create a Medicaid pay-for-performance pilot project	Ron Ehli	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 01/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 102	Create advisory committee on cost-base Medicaid mental health rate reimbursement	Ron Ehli	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 01/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 105	Generally revise MPERA retirement system laws concerning plan administration	Tom Steenberg	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Admin.
HB 106	Generally revise water use laws	Pat Connell	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 01/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 107	Revise laws related to legal counsel representation in abuse and neglect cases	Ryan Lynch	(H) Scheduled for 2nd Reading 1/18/2013
HB 108	Revise registration and proof of identity requirements for voting	Ted Washburn	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/16/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 111	Repeal business equipment tax reduction for value-added manufacturing	Mike Miller	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/14/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152

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Bill No.	Short Title	Sponsor	Status
HB 112	Improve actuarial funding for teachers' retirement system	Jean Price	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Admin.
HB 119	Allow payment of expenses for deceased Medicaid and MT healthy kid enrollees	Carolyn Pease-Lopez	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 120	Generally revise election laws	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/16/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 121	Revise property valuation laws for tax purposes for certain timber lands	Pat Ingraham	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
HB 124	Clarify exemption for school districts and special districts in elections	Jesse O'Hara	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/17/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 125	Clarify when candidate's name is held off the ballot	Jesse O'Hara	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/17/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 126	Generally revise ballot issues and petition statutes	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/16/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 129	Revise campaign finance and disclosure laws	Steve Gibson	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/11/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 130	Revise uninsured employer's fund laws	Steve Fitzpatrick	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/11/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 172
HB 139	Update laws governing law enforcement communications system	Steve Lavin	(H) Transmitted to Senate
HB 142	Restore Dingell-Johnson fish restoration and management funding assent language	Pat Connell	(H) Hearing -- (H) Fish, Wildlife & Parks 01/17/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 145	Revise the Montana Federal Mandates Accountability Act	Bill Harris	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/17/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 146	Generally revise laws related to solid waste licenses and fees	Kris Hansen	(H) Hearing -- (H) Natural Resources 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 148	Clarifying local government authority to regulate amateur radio operators	Pat Connell	(H) Committee Executive Action- -Bill Passed -- (H) Local Gov.
HB 149	Revise ditch easement laws	Pat Connell	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Agriculture
HB 152	Provide deadlines for governing bodies to review tax exemption applications	Steve Fitzpatrick	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/16/2013; 8:30 AM, Rm 152
HB 154	Enable county attorney to act as legal advisor to irrigation board if requested	David (Doc) Moore	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/22/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 156	Revise local government laws related to municipal zoning	David (Doc) Moore	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/22/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 158	Require agency's to present proposed rules to interim committees	Doug Kary	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 159	Generally revise the Montana Administrative Procedure Act	Keith Regier	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 160	Require that aquatic invasive programs be funded by state general fund	Ted Washburn	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 102
HB 162	Revise state employee health insurance program laws	Kelly Flynn	(H) Hearing -- (H) Human Services 01/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 152
HB 165	Revise laws related to speed upon approaching emergency or police vehicles	Amanda Curtis	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/17/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 168	Revise DUI laws for THC	David (Doc) Moore	(H) Hearing -- (H) Judiciary 01/17/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 137
HB 169	Allow growth policy to be used for coordination	Kerry White	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/17/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 174	Provide for a property tax freeze for Montanans age 65 or older or disabled	David (Doc) Moore	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/24/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 176	Increase amount of oil and nat. gas prod. taxes retained by school district	David Halvorson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 177	Requiring school districts to budget 25% of total oil and nat. gas prod. taxes	David Halvorson	(H) Hearing -- (H) Education 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 137
HB 186	Require losing party in litigation to pay litigation costs in certain lawsuits	Clayton Fiscus	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business & Labor

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HB 195	Revise laws related to taxation of certain forest land	Pat Ingraham	(H) Hearing -- (H) Taxation 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 152
HB 197	Expand drug & alcohol testing act to apply to all employees	Champ Edmunds	(H) Hearing -- (H) Business & Labor 01/21/2013; 9:00 am, Rm 172
HB 200	Revise election laws	Steve Fitzpatrick	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/24/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HB 202	Revise laws related to the deposit and investment of public money	Roger A Hagan	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/17/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 203	Revise direct state aid to public libraries	Christy Clark	(H) Hearing -- (H) Approps. 01/22/2013; 2:00 pm, Rm 102
HB 208	Providing immunity for solid waste management system	Jerry O'Neil	(H) Hearing -- (H) Local Gov. 01/24/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 172
HB 209	Cap salaries of state employees while retirement systems are actuarially unsound	Jerry O'Neil	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Admin.
HB 218	Require Board of Oil and Gas to administer grant program for oil and gas impacts	Duane Ankney	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Approps.
HB 220	Revise election laws for county commissioners	Mike Miller	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Admin.
HB 226	Exempt computer professionals from overtime pay	Donald W Jones	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business & Labor
HB 230	Generally revise property tax laws	Scott Reichner	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Taxation
HB 232	Strengthen exclusive remedy laws in workers' compensation	Austin Knudsen	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business & Labor
HB 233	Generally revise 24/7 sobriety program	Steve Lavin	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Transportation
HB 242	Generally revise workforce drug testing laws	Carl Glimm	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Business & Labor
HB 245	Authorize counties to dedicate park land	Champ Edmunds	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Local Government
HB 246	Revise conservation easement laws	Kerry White	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) Local Government
HB 251	Revise date absentee ballots are available	Pat Ingraham	(H) Referred to Committee -- (H) State Admin.
HJ 2	Interim study investigating state/local gov electronic records management	Galen Hollenbaugh	(H) Hearing -- (H) State Admin. 01/15/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 455
HR 1	House Rules Resolution	Cary Smith	(H) Filed with Secretary of State
SB 10	Provide for licensure and regulation of mental health peer support specialists	Mary Caferro	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs 01/11/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 16	Revise tax increment financing laws related to distribution	Dick Barrett	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (S) Taxation
SB 22	Allow for recording notice of tax lien with the secretary of state	Ron Arthun	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 24	Revise zoning laws for sand and gravel operations	Matthew M Rosendale	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 25	Increase reimbursement rates for pupil transportation	Greg Jergeson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Education & Cultural Resources 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 303
SB 27	Revise Insure Montana laws to expand small employer definition	Cliff Larsen	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety 01/25/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 30	Revise big sky trust fund wage rate laws	Edward Buttrey	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed as Amended -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs
SB 33	Revise disaster relief expenditure laws	Larry Jent	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 34	Create unclaimed life insurance benefits act	Mary Caferro	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/11/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405

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SB 35	Revise statutory requirements for notarization of certain documents	Jim Keane	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 37	Declaring conceal weapon permit app. info as confidential criminal justice info	Terry Murphy	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 01/09/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 39	Eliminate DNRC report on wildland/urban interface designation	Chas Vincent	(S) Hearing -- (S) Agriculture, Livestock & Irrigation 01/10/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 40	Generally revising provisions governing subdivision review	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 41	Prohibiting consideration of future subdivision impact	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/16/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 48	Establish regional water system rate process	Greg Jergeson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 49	Revise laws regarding reporting to the legislative finance committee	Rick Ripley	(S) Hearing -- (S) Finance & Claims 01/14/2013; 5:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 53	Revise penalties for certain misdemeanor offenses	Robyn Driscoll	(S) Scheduled for 3rd Reading 1/18/2013
SB 57	Adopt certain uniform laws commission language for military/overseas ballots	Larry Jent	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 59	Remove certain restrictions on I-149 and I-155 funding uses	Greg Jergeson	(S) Hearing -- (S) Finance & Claims 01/14/2013; 5:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 65	Revise laws relating to confidentiality of child abuse and neglect reports	Art Wittich	(S) Scheduled for 2nd Reading 1/18/2013
SB 68	Revise ballot return envelope requirements to reflect extra postage required	Robyn Driscoll	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 71	Code commissioner bill	Mitch Tropila	(S) Transmitted to House
SB 73	Repeal DARE program	Christine Kaufmann	(S) Committee Report--Bill Passed -- (S) Judiciary
SB 79	Revise laws regarding access to nonprofit hospital records	Dave Lewis	(S) Hearing -- (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety 01/14/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 317
SB 96	Lower the business and equipment tax	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 97	Revise redistricting laws to reduce the number of House and Senate seats	Jason Priest	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 98	Revise redistricting laws to reduce the number of House and Senate seats	Jason Priest	(S) Tabled in Committee* -- (S) Judiciary
SB 100	25% new resource development revenue to fund education	Dee Brown	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Taxation
SB 110	Provide for a crime prevention program	Taylor Brown	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 01/18/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 111	Revise highway laws	Matthew M Rosendale	(S) Hearing -- (S) Highways & Transportation 01/15/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 114	Eliminate certain charges for motor vehicle registration	Janna Taylor	(S) Hearing -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs 01/16/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 422
SB 115	Revise medical malpractice laws to contain health care costs	Janna Taylor	(S) Referred to Committee -- (S) Public Health, Welfare & Safety
SB 121	Generally revise laws related to contracts	Jennifer Fielder	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 01/18/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 122	Generally revise election laws regarding local nonpartisan elections	Tom Facey	(S) Hearing -- (S) State Admin. 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 335
SB 127	Revise unemployment law, revise def. of misconduct, revise benefit eligibility	Edward Buttrey	(S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs
SB 128	Revise when unemployment insurance rates not affected by benefits paid	Edward Buttrey	(S) Bill Not Heard at Sponsor's Request -- (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs

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SB 130	Revising municipal election laws	Terry Murphy	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/22/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 131	Constitutional amendment to adopt of the revenue estimate by the legislature	David E Wanzenried	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/22/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 137	Revise local government laws relate to property environmental clean-up	Alan Olson	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 01/18/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 138	Extend class 14 tax classification to all new generating and fuel facilities	Art Wittich	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/23/2013; 8:00 AM, Rm 405
SB 140	Combine school and primary election dates	Art Wittich	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 144	Generally revise noxious weed trust fund laws	Jon C Sesso	(S) Hearing – (S) Natural Resources 01/21/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 422
SB 145	Require all information on a concealed weapon permit application confidential	Frederick (Eric) Moore	(S) Hearing -- (S) Judiciary 01/23/2013; 9:00 AM, Rm 303
SB 146	Generally revise subdivision review criteria laws regarding agency comment	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 147	Generally revise subdivision review criteria laws regarding agriculture	Edward Buttrey	(S) Hearing -- (S) Local Gov. 01/23/2013; 3:00 PM, Rm 405
SB 148	Reduce amount of award to employees who are wrongfully discharged	Llew Jones	(S) Referred to Committee – (S) Business, Labor, & Economic Affairs
SJ 1	Joint Rules Resolution	Art Wittich	(H) Scheduled for 3rd Reading 1/18/2013
SJ 2	Revenue estimate pursuant to the Joint Rules of the Legislature	Bruce Tutvedt	(S) Hearing -- (S) Taxation 01/17/2013; 09:00 AM, Rm 152
SR 1	Senate Rules Resolution	Art Wittich	(S) Filed with Secretary of State

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